

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
VILLAGE OF TEUTOPOLIS
APRIL 15, 2026**

The regular meeting of the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Teutopolis, Effingham County, State of Illinois, was held in the Village Hall of said Village on April 15, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

The President called the meeting to order, and upon roll call, the following trustees were present:

Daniel Zerrusen-----yes	Robin Imburgia-----yes
Christina Mette-----yes	Greg Oseland-----yes
David Tegeler-----yes	Rachel Collins-----yes

A hearing was held to review the delinquent water bills. None of the persons having a delinquent bill were present at the hearing. Since no one was present to give just cause for being late, the Village Foreman was instructed to disconnect their water on the 16th of April.

It was moved by Greg Oseland, seconded by Rachel Collins, and carried that the minutes of the last meeting be approved as presented.

It was moved by Greg Oseland, seconded by Christina Mette, and carried the treasurer's report be accepted and placed on file.

It was moved by Greg Oseland, seconded by Christina Mette, and carried that the board report be approved, and the April bills be paid.

Mitch Hardiek of Milano & Grunloh reviewed current and upcoming projects. He reported on an April 29 meeting with the Illinois Commerce Commission regarding railroad crossing repairs. The Cast Iron Water Main Project is expected to be bid in June or July, with STU funds for the approaches scheduled for the June 12 State Letting. The Pearl Street project will be deferred until FY 2027. For the Box Culvert Project, Effingham Asphalt will provide approximately one week's notice prior to starting. The Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) plan is anticipated to be approved on May 6, with bids opening June 3. Work continues on FEMA LOMA forms. Main Street sidewalk plans are complete and expected to bid in May. The Water and Sanitary Rate Study remains in progress.

Jerry Runde, Trustee of the Teutopolis Park District, was present to address the Board regarding a TIF application submitted by the Park District. It was noted that the park property is located outside the boundaries of the TIF District. As a taxing body, the Park District may still be eligible to enter into an agreement with the Village of Teutopolis. The Board discussed various options that could potentially be used to fund the TIF request.

Leon Gobczynski provided an update on the bell project. He reported that the bell has been powder coated and a clapper has been installed. Leon has spoken with Double D Signs regarding installation and with Dave Zerrusen concerning the brick work for the pedestal. The Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree will cover all expenses related to the project. The goal is to have the bell installed around the Fourth of July. Leon requested that the Village consider coordinating a celebration for the unveiling of the bell.

Item (a) Discussion and possible action to approve a TIF application from J.B. Esker and Sons was tabled.

Item (b) Discussion and possible action to approve a TIF application from Teutopolis Park District was tabled.

Motion by Greg Oseland, seconded by Daniel Zerrusen to approve a quote from Coe Equipment to purchase Equipment for \$1,929.
Roll call vote – 6 yes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Village Foreman Carl Pals was present to discuss recommendations received from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA). Carl reported that a plan has been developed to address all recommendations and that a response will be submitted to IEPA.

Motion by Daniel Zerrusen, seconded by Rachel Collins to approve liquor licenses for Fiscal Year 2027.
Roll call vote – 6 yes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

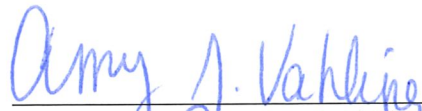
Motion by Greg Oseland, seconded by Daniel Zerrusen to approve a quote from Burford Electric for electric to the new digital sign for \$2,225.
Roll call vote – 6 yes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Daniel Zerrusen introduced Ordinance No. 1123, An Ordinance Authorizing Purchase of an Easement for Sidewalk and Utility Purposes. (2024 ITEP Project) (Donald J. Waldhoff – 509 W Elm Street)
Roll call vote – 6 yes, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Item (h) Introduce and motion to pass Ordinance No. 1124 – An Ordinance Authorizing Purchase of an Easement for Sidewalk and Utility Purposes. (Karla A. Hardiek – 316 S John Street) was tabled.

Motion by Daniel Zerrusen, seconded by Greg Oseland, to offer Doug Holman a full-time police officer position at an hourly rate of \$30, with an increase to \$31 or \$32 following a successful 90-day probationary period. President Repking will contact Mr. Holman regarding the offer.
Roll call vote – 6 yes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

It was moved by Greg Oseland, seconded by Christina Mette, and carried to adjourn the meeting.



Amy J. Vahling, Village Clerk



David A. Repking, Village Resident